

# Notice of Exemption

**To:**  Office of Planning and Research  
State Clearinghouse  
1400 Tenth Street, Room 113  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**From:** Department of Fish and Wildlife  
**WILDLIFE CONSERVATION BOARD**  
P.O. Box 944209  
Sacramento, CA 94244-2090

**County Clerk (County of):** N/A

**Attention:** Adam Ballard

**Project Title:** Water Management Plan for Utilization of Humboldt County Contract Water,  
Project ID: 2021045

**Project Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB)

**Project Location - Specific:** Trinity River, from Lewiston Dam to confluence with Klamath River, and Klamath River, from Trinity River confluence to Pacific Ocean.

**Project Location - City:** N/A

**Project Location - County:** Trinity, Humboldt, & Del Norte

**Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:** The project will develop a plan with associated technical analysis and modeling to support future utilization of Humboldt County's water contract with the Bureau of Reclamation for annual releases of not less than 50,000 acre-feet into the Trinity River to benefit fish and wildlife in the Trinity River and lower Klamath River.

**Name of Public Agency Approving Project:** Department of Fish and Wildlife, WCB

**Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project:** John P. Donnelly, Executive Director, WCB

**Exempt Status:**

- Ministerial (Sec. 15268):
- Declared Emergency [Sec. 15269 (a)]:
- Emergency Project [Sec. 15269 (b) and (c)]:
- Categorical Exemption: State Section number and type:
- Statutory Exemption: Section 15262; feasibility or planning studies for possible future actions that the agency has not approved, adopted or funded.

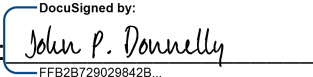
**Reasons why project is exempt:** Project involves only environmental analysis or planning studies for possible future actions which the agency, board, or commission has not approved, adopted, or funded.

**Lead Agency Contact Person:** John P. Donnelly

**Area Code/Telephone/Extension:** (916) 445-0137

**If filed by applicant:**

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a notice of exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project?  Yes (by this notice)  No

Signature: 

Date: 4/22/2021

Title: Executive Director

Signed by Lead Agency  Signed by Applicant

Authority cited: Sections 21083 and 21110, Public Resources Code.  
Reference: Section 21108, 21152, 21152.1, Public Resources Code.

**Date received for Filing:**

ec: WCB Project Tracker  
WCB Board Meeting Folder